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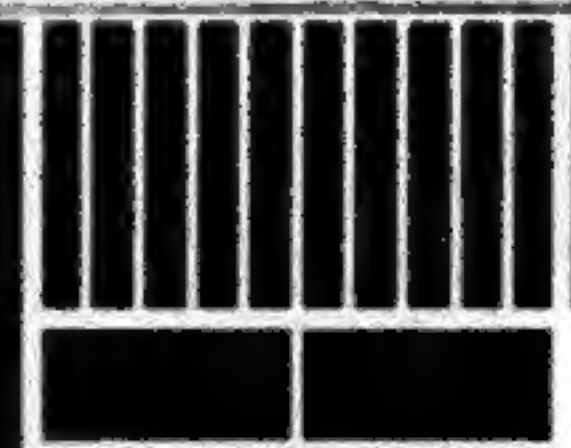
Ans same day.

Cleveland O. Aug<sup>r</sup> 23 1855.

George Engelmann M.D.

Dear Sir.

Among my amusements of late  
I have spent considerable time in the  
cultivation of my greenhouse plants -  
Especially the various cacti, - It is  
a matter of interest to me to recognize  
them under their correct names -  
but I find that their nomenclature  
is a jargon of confusion among  
the practical Gardeners in the Eastern  
Cities - All attempts at obtaining correct  
names have thus far proved a  
failure with me. Dr. L. C. Conz, who  
visited me a few days since &  
entered with some interest into the  
subject, advised me to write you ~~on~~  
~~the subject~~ - This, I have concluded to  
do, though with great hesitation, for I  
know well the amount of taxation



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revised on the time and patience, of  
Men, of science - by applications of a  
Kindred Character -

If perfectly convenient I would be  
obliged to You - if you would put the  
Beam Mr. Palmer, in the way of obtaining  
either cuttings or seeds of any of that  
family of plants, correctly labelled,  
especially of the Mexican & Mexican species,

From seeds obtained, from the  
National Greenhouse, & labelled "Monkey  
Cactus" from New Mexico I have raised  
several plants - It is a Mammothian,  
Is any one species known by the above  
vulgar name?

Your kindness would be reciprocated  
in any way you may suggest.

Very truly Yrs

Jacob N. Kuitand

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Cleveland O. Aug<sup>r</sup>. 23/55  
George Engelmann M.D.

Dear Sir

Permit me to introduce to  
Your acquaintance Edward Palmer, an  
enterprising Young Naturalist, who has  
recently returned from Paraguay.

Very respectfully, Yours  
Sared F. Hirtland



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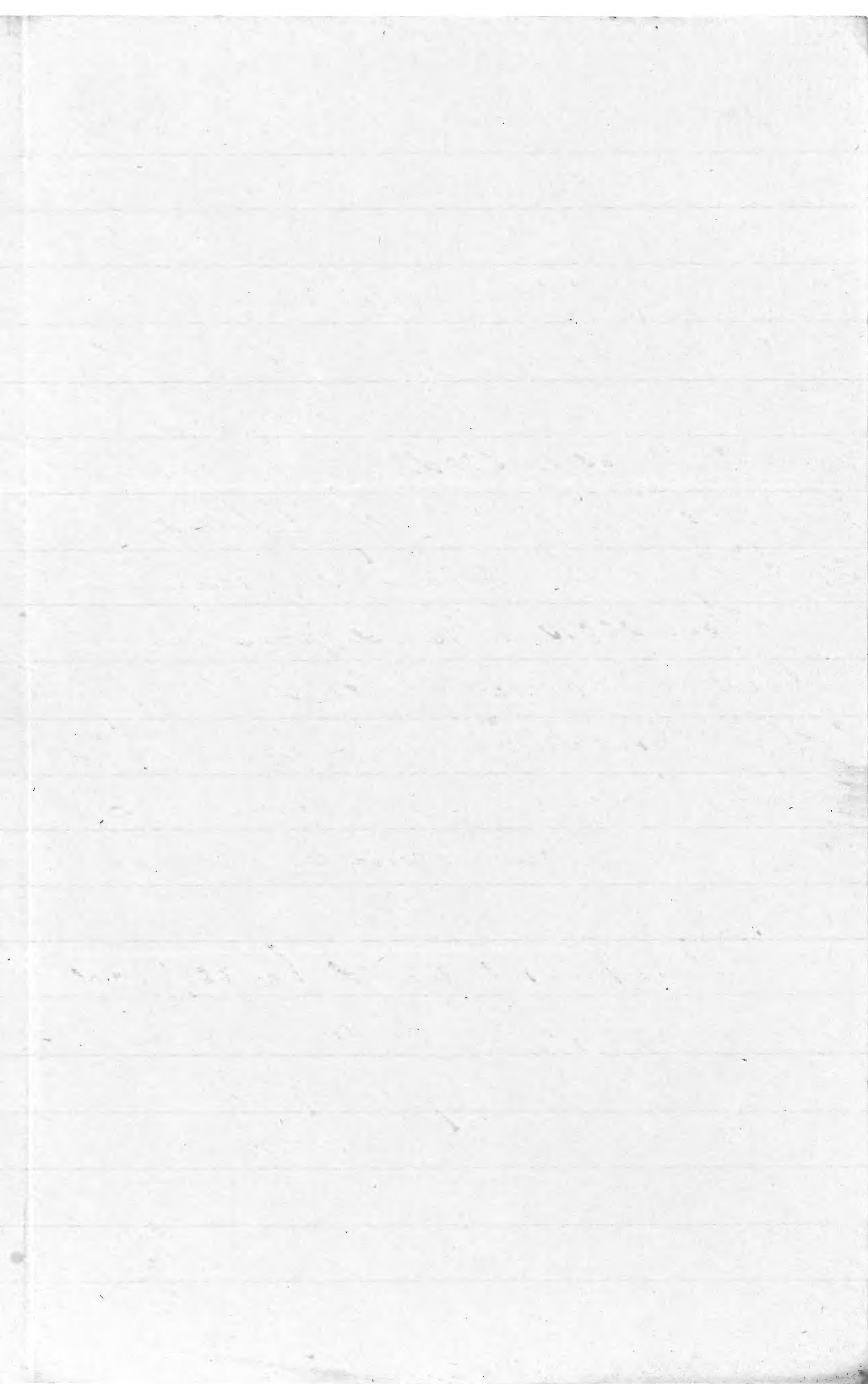
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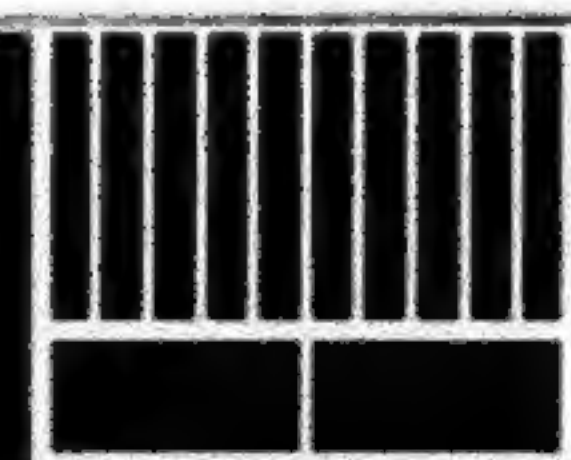
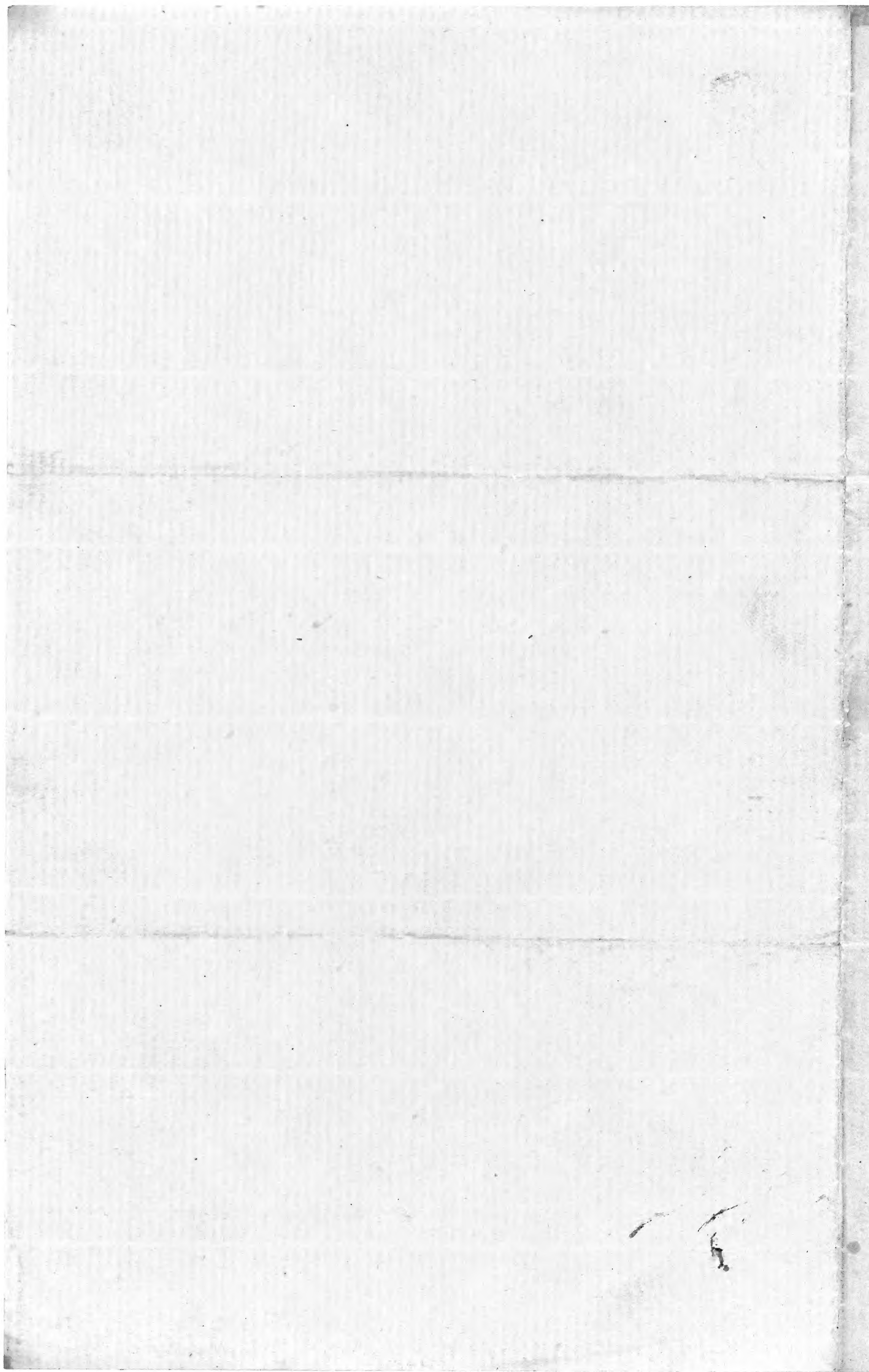
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East. Rockport, O. Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 1855.

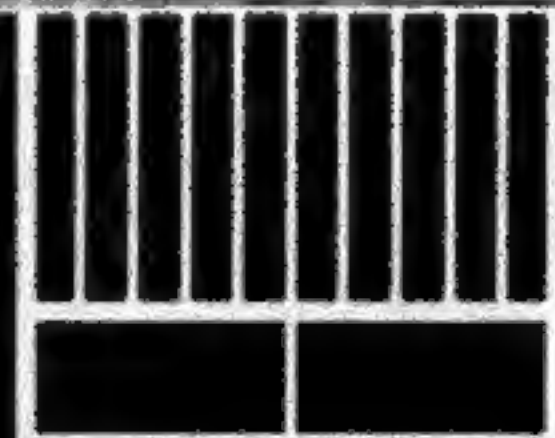
Dear Sir

The packages of *Cactaceae* seeds, were duly rec<sup>d</sup> and place me under great obligations. With cuttings of that family of plants I rarely fail to succeed at any season of the Year & have no doubt, that at the opening of next spring, these will be in a healthy & vigorous condition.

A portion of each kind of the seeds I placed in one of my forcing boxes, (constructed somewhat like Ward's cases) and I observe to day that the *Cereus giganteus* & *Echinocactus Texensis* are already vegetating freely. — They will receive every care & attention.

Can I in any manner reciprocate your kindness? —

Will you hand the inclosed, to Dr. Hayden when he visits St Louis —  
Geo. Engelmann M.D. Very truly Yours  
J. P. Rostand



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If you know Dr. May send present  
location will you forward  
the enclosed to him - but  
please to retain it if there  
is any uncertainty as to the  
reaching him.

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Rec<sup>d</sup> Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>

Kirtland

Cleveland O, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1858.

D. Engelmann

Dr Sir.

The cactus cuttings, seeds & plants, which you had the goodness to send me by Mr Palmer - two or three years since generally succeeded and are now in a fine condition - An exception however occurred with one I most valued, the *Cactus (Cereus) giganteus*. The seeds vegetated but the young plants damped off, with all the care I could bestow on them.

The loss of my wife and a change in my domestic arrangements have given me time to pursue my favorite Amusement, the cultivation of my flowers and Bees, In both pursuits I have become somewhat an adept - By means of my small hot or forcing house and a well constructed green-house, I have been very successful, in vegetating exotic and rare seeds. - Formerly I



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secured many articles in that line, from the

National Green House and Patent Office  
with which my management almost always  
succeeded - Of late however I seem to have  
lost - lost, especially with the former (not  
worshipping at the same shrine) and all  
supplies from thence have been cut off -  
My applications have not only been refused  
but positive insult - has been returned.

If You have any little articles in that  
line which You can spare without inconvenience  
I should be very grateful for them -

I labor with such things - only as a  
matter of science & amusement -

If I can in any manner reciprocate  
your favors let me know it. -

Do You Cultivate Bees? - I manage  
them with as much freedom & facility as  
Van Amburg does his Lions & Tygers -

Very truly Yrs &c  
J. P. Kirtland



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Rec'd Dec 26

Cleveland, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1860.

George Engelmann, M.D.

Dear Sir.

Through the medium of Dr. Newberry  
Your kind letter of Sept 1<sup>st</sup> and Your  
work on "The Cactaceae" came to hand.

They place me under great, and  
renewed obligations.

The History, & the cultivation of this family  
of plants have, for some years, been  
favorite subjects, with me. I can  
hardly express the satisfaction I have  
derived from Your publication.

If the public generally fail to recognize  
the beauties of those plants, and hence  
overlook the worth of Your publication, You  
may be sure that its merits will command  
the attention & respect of the Scientific,  
in every part of the world.

With great respect, Yours  
Jared O. Hilliards.



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Dec. 2nd 1880

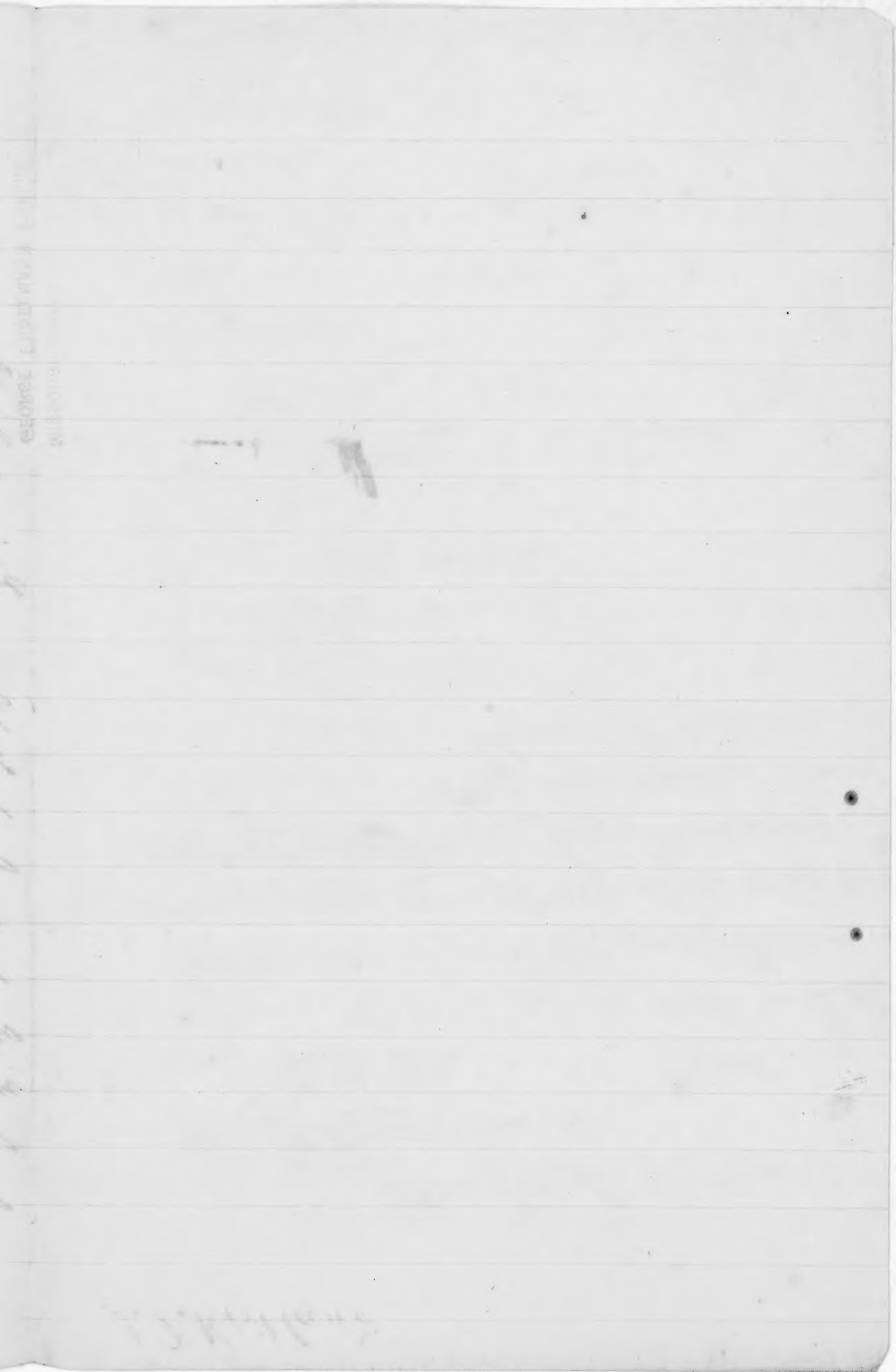
Chicago, Ill. Dec. 23rd 1880

George Engelmann, M.D.

Dear Sir,

I have this letter of the 21st and have  
sent it to the Library of the  
University of Chicago. I have  
also placed it in my private  
collection of botanical  
literature. The history of the  
University of Chicago has  
been a subject of great  
interest to me. I have  
hardly a word to say of  
the history of the University  
of Chicago. I have been  
of the little group of  
the founders of the University  
and have seen the growth of  
the University of Chicago  
in every part of the world.  
I have great respect for  
the University of Chicago.





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